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In New York, prices were unchanged. In most other areas, prices were higher on all sizes. The market tone ranged fully steady to firm entering the week. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were mostly close to adequate for full trade needs. Breaking stock demand was moderate to good for tight to adequate supplies. Light type hens were at least sufficient for the fair demand.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 1 cent higher on the larger sizes and unchanged to 2 cents higher on mediums; in Boston, prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged to higher on mediums, when based on previous week average pricing. In New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was fully steady to firm. Demand into all outlets ranged moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to mostly close for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were adequate and demand was moderate. Light type hens were at least sufficient for the fair demand.

MIDWEST Prices in Detroit and major Ohio and Wisconsin cities were 2 cents higher for the large sizes and 3 to 4 cents higher for medium. Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were up 2 cents for large, 3 cents higher for medium, and were unchanged for small. Trade sentiment was fully steady to mostly firm. Retail demand was moderate to very good. Food service movement was generally moderate. Supplies were in good balance to mostly close. Central states breaking stock prices were higher. Most breakers were working from current inventories with breakers needing additional heavy nest runs bidding increasingly higher values with little success in procuring product at this call. Demand overall was good. Offerings tight to adequate. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Trade sentiment steady to firm.

CHICAGO Prices for all extra large and large increased 2 cents, mediums advanced 3 cents. The trade sentiment was steady to firm. Retail and food service demand mostly moderate instances good, best where features are planned or in progress. Supplies adequate to barely adequate.

SOUTHERN In Atlanta and Florida, prices were sharply higher on all sizes. The market tone was firm entering the week. Demand was moderate to good and was best where features were in progress for this week. Supplies were close to instances short for trade needs. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending January 11, 2002 was 58.59 cents, 2.39 cents more than last week, but 23.69 cents less than last year. Breaking stock offerings were adequate for a moderate demand. Light type hens were at least adequate for the fair at best demand.

WESTERN Prices in California were unchanged on jumbo and extra large, 1 cent higher on large, medium and small 2 cents higher; in the Northwest prices were unchanged on jumbo through large and 3 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory overall was unchanged from last Monday with California up 4 percent and Oregon/Washington/Utah down 9 percent. Retailer demand was fairly good. Offerings in fair balance.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone entering the week was firm. Demand was moderate to good, better where promotions were planned or in progress for the week. Supplies were barely adequate to close for current requirements.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.			
	EXTRA		
NORTHEAST CITIES	LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	102-106	95-99	69-72
New York	68-72	66-70	56-60
Philadelphia	64-70	63-68	51-58
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	55.5-62	53.5-60	42.5-49
Jackson (1)	58-60	57-59	45-47
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	65-76	64-75	53-64
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	58-62	56-60	48-52
Detroit (2)	52-57	51-56	45-47
Major Ohio Cities (2)	54-58	53-56	43-47
Major Wisconsin Cities	55-62	54-60	45-50
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	74-76	71-73	60-63
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	93	88	79
(1) - Prices reported weekly (2) - Delivered Warehouse			
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

CALIFORNIA Prices were unchanged on jumbo and extra large, 1 cent higher on large and 2 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was up 4 percent from last week. Retailer demand was fairly good overall. Offerings were in fair balance to cover current needs. Small invoice price 59. PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	96
EXTRA LARGE	93
LARGE	88
MEDIUM	79

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	239-289	JUMBO	239-279
EXTRA LARGE	229-269	EXTRA LARGE	209-249
LARGE	199-229	LARGE	179-229
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	175-199

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending January 18, 2002 will decrease by 8 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 11, 2002 were 302,071 cases which was 2 percent above the prior week and 2 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	270,168	31,903	302,071
% change from the prior week.....	+5	-17	+2

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were higher. Most breakers were working from current inventories with breakers needing additional heavy nest runs bidding increasingly higher values with little success in procuring product at this call. Demand overall was good. Offerings tight to adequate. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm. PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	29-32	30-32
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	13-18	
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady. Trading was too few to report. Demand was light to moderate. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was weak. HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) * FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-JAN-02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-11 CENTS/LB.	8.5-9.75	9.48
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing were schedules reported as normal. Canner supplies were adequate and clearing. The undertone was generally steady. HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-JAN-02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8.5-10	8.95
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JAN 14, 2002

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/

(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.3	16.9	6.2	11.0	11.6 54.0
	Change	0.8	-3.7	-2.5	1.5	-4.2 -13%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	24.3	30.6	10.0	18.6	27.2 110.7
	Change	-1.0	-12.2	-1.2	1.0	1.3 -10%
Large	Curr Wk	44.1	78.4	49.6	61.9	83.4 317.4
	Change	11.2	-34.7	-12.8	4.2	1.0 -9%
Medium	Curr Wk	8.1	28.2	18.3	17.3	22.8 94.7
	Change	-3.9	-5.0	-1.5	-0.6	2.1 -9%
Small	Curr Wk	3.0	8.2	3.4	7.7	5.2 27.5
	Change	-0.3	-2.4	-0.5	0.3	0.4 -8%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.8	28.7	8.1	16.1	6.2 63.9
	Change	2.3	0.8	1.1	2.3	-0.4 11%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	19.5	46.9	27.7	20.1	30.5 144.7
	Change	-2.3	-27.5	-11.8	-1.8	-0.3 -23%
Total	Curr Wk	112.1	237.9	123.3	152.7	186.9 812.9
Percent	Change	6%	-26%	-19%	5%	0% -11%
TOTAL		Number of Cases		Percent Change		Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	812.9	-11%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	269.4	-15%	38

Total Shell Egg 1082.3 -12% 208
1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

	NO	SO	SO	5-AREA	
NORTHEAST	CENT	CENT	ATL	PACIFIC	SUMMARY
105.3	322.6	152.5	145.8	187.0	913.2

MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 31, 2001

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	183.8	179.8	169.8	113.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 31, 2001 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	141	141	131	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 11, 2002

CURRENT LOADS	31.00	FUTURE LOADS	16.00	TOTAL LOADS	47.00
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		SE		NE		MW		LOADS				SC		NW		SW		LOADS	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST					
GNR W 1	39.75	58.14	44.50	46.00	53.28	—	25.00	GNR W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GL W XL	—	—	—	56.00	52.75	—	8.00	GNR W 1	—	41.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	52.00	—	5.50	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	63.10	—	—	5.00
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.50	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	61.00	—	—	3.00
GL W SM	—	—	24.00	25.50	—	—	1.00	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	25.00	27.00	3.00												

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/07/02-01/11/02

CURRENT LOADS	124.50	FUTURE LOADS	144.00	TOTAL LOADS	268.50
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		SE		NE		MW		LOADS			SC		NW		SW	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W XL	—	48.00	—	—	—	—	2.00	GNR W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	
GNR W 1	39.42	51.00	41.80	42.33	49.79	39.70	126.25	GNR W 1	—	44.02	—	—	—	—	22.25	
GNR W 2	—	47.60	—	—	38.69	33.00	15.50	GNR W 2	—	36.33	—	—	—	—	1.50	
GNR W 3	—	46.00	28.00	30.00	30.63	31.00	7.00	GNR W 3	—	37.20	—	—	—	—	4.50	
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	26.00	—	1.00	GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	—	33.00	1.00	
GL W J	—	—	—	—	50.00	—	1.00	GNR BR 1	—	67.00	—	—	—	—	1.25	
GL W XL	—	51.69	48.50	51.45	48.71	—	41.00	GL W J	45.00	—	—	—	—	55.17	3.00	
GL W LG	—	53.32	46.76	49.47	46.20	39.00	49.00	GL W XL	51.00	49.88	—	—	—	59.59	19.00	
GL W MD	—	41.82	39.05	40.00	37.50	38.45	21.25	GL W LG	51.00	52.07	—	51.50	—	56.38	26.50	
GL W SM	—	—	23.75	25.75	—	—	2.00	GL W MD	37.63	40.14	—	41.00	—	46.00	10.25	
NRBS - 48	—	—	26.00	27.00	29.13	30.15	12.75	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	27.00	28.00	.75	NRBS - 36	—	20.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	25.00	27.00	3.00									
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	18.50	17.00									
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	14.83	17.00	3.00									

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 12/30/01 - 01/05/02

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern, CA	# Cases Shipped To Central, CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern, CA	Total State
Colorado	0	1,440	3,818	5,258
Idaho	0	615	0	615
Iowa	6,435	1,550	42,668	50,653
Minnesota	0	0	5,230	5,230
Missouri	0	0	3,225	3,225
Nevada	0	0	120	120
New Hampshire	0	0	840	840
Ohio	0	695	3,200	3,895
Oregon	2,236	1,861	0	4,097
Pennsylvania	0	0	780	780
Texas	0	0	960	960
Utah	0	2,800	9,909	12,709
Washington	0	0	115	115
Wisconsin	527	0	750	1,277
TOTAL	9,198	8,961	71,615	89,774
SHIPPED TO MILITA	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMI	9,198	8,961	71,615	89,774

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
120-123	85-88	78-81	51-54	24-27

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
58-68	51-55	49-54	43-46	25-29

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	01/07/02	12/31/01	01/08/01
PACIFIC COAST	234	189	132
LOS ANGELES	167	147	92

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
74.74	73.74	63.05	45.51

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
37-40	29-33	7-10

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

Receipts from the mainland: 12/30/01-01/5/02

30-dozen cases 4,798

Receipts from the mainland: 12/23/01-12/29/01

30-dozen cases 6,950

U.S. MONTHLY INVENTORY OF DRIED EGG SOLIDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2001 COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	1,539,380	18	74
FREE FLOWING	1,902,704	67	-11
BLEND	860,675	25	-16
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	10,689,191	21	5
BLEND	260,700	-10	207
YOLK			
PLAIN	843,116	15	-28
BLEND	22,600	-38	29
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	1,812,840	104	8
TOTAL	17,931,206	29	4

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:

DECEMBER 2, 2001 - DECEMBER 29, 2001

TOTAL 12,165,000 POUNDS.

Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.

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